THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) to (d) India and Nepal share open border. There are no restrictions on movement of people across the border. There are no reports suggesting migration of Nepalese to India due to harassment by Maoists.

Foreign Private intelligence agencies

†319. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:
SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:
SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that foreign Private intelligence agencies have become very active;

(b) whether retired Heads of Indian Agencies are involved in them;

(c) whether there is any system of control the activities of foreign intelligence agencies;

(d) whether there is any indication of anti-India activities by them; and

(e) if not, the steps being taken by Government to ascertain the reasons of their activity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) There are no inputs to suggest that either foreign private intelligence agencies have become very active or the retired Heads of Indian Agencies are involved in them.

(c) to (e) The Central and State intelligence and security agencies remain alert and vigilant to foil nefarious designs of foreign intelligence agencies, as a result of which as per available information, 135 espionage modules have been busted since 2001 to October, 2007.

Blue print or war against Naxalites

320. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Naxalites have had a free run in more than a hundred districts for years and Government is now finally preparing a blue print to wage a war against Naxalites and has finalized an action plan to curb them;

(b) if so, the details of the strategy that has been formulated; and

(c) to what extent these steps have helped in checking the activities of naxalites in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) As per information available, in 2007, till 31-10-2007, there have been 1285 incidents and 571 casualties, as against 1285 incidents and 610 casualties in the corresponding period of 2006. In 2006, naxalite violence was reported in areas falling in 395 police stations in 91 districts in 11 States, out of a total number of 8488 police stations in those States. Government's approach is to combat naxalite activities in a holistic manner, in the arenas of security, development, administration and public perception management. State Governments undertake necessary action to combat maxalite activities, with the Central Government supplementing their efforts and resources through a range of measures that include deployment of Central paramilitary forces, strengthening of the State police and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.